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TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER 4258-116 **DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)** U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5) Unassigned (1) // (5) (6) 1 5 (8) CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED PCT/ES04/000284 6/17/2004 6/20/2003 TITLE OF INVENTION HYALURONIC ACID NANOPARTICLES APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Maria Jose Alonso Fernandez, Maria De la Fuente Freire, Maria Begona Seijo Rey Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information: 1. X This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371. This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371. This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371 (f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below. 4. X The US has been elected (Article 31). 5. X A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(2)) as published as WO 2004/112758 a. X is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). has been communicated by the International Bureau. is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US). 6. X An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(2)). a. X is attached hereto. has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 7. Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)) are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). have been communicated by the International Bureau. have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. have not been made and will not be made. An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)). An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)). An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)). Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included: 11. X An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included. A preliminary amendment. An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76. 15. A substitute specification. 16. X A power of attorney and/or change of address letter. (unsigned) 17. I A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821 - 1.825. A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 18. A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).

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20. Other items or information:								
The following fees have been submitted							CALCULATIONS	PTO USE ONLY
21. X Basic national fee (37 CRF 1.492(a))							\$300	110 002 01121
22. X Examination fee (37 CFR 1.492(c)) If the written opinion prepared by ISA/US or the international preliminary examination report prepared by IPEA/US indicates all claims satisfy provisions of the PCT PCT Article 33(1)-(4) \$0 All other situations							\$ 200	
23. X Search fee (37 CFR 1.492(b)) If the written opinion of the ISA/US or the international preliminary examination report prepared by IPEA/US indicates all claims satisfy provisions of the PCT Article 33(1)-(4)\$0 Search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) has been paid on the international application to the USPTO as an International Searching Authority							\$ 500	
TOTAL OF 21, 22 and 23 =							\$ 1,000	
Additional fee for specification and drawings filed in paper over 100 sheets (excluding sequence listing IN COMPLIANCE WITH 37 cfr 1.821(c) or (e) or computer program listing in an electronic medium) (37 CFR 1.492(j)). The fee is \$250 for each additional 50 sheets of paper or fraction thereof. Total Sheets Extra sheets Number of each additional 50 or fraction thereof (round up to a whole number)								
32 -100 =	0 /50 =		0		x \$250	\$ 0		
Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing any of the search fee, examination fee, or the oath or declaration after the date of the commencement of the national stage (37 CFR 1.492(h)).							\$ 0	
CLAIMS NUM			BER FILED NUMBER EXTRA RATE			RATE	\$	
Total claims		2	8 - 20 =	8	X	\$50	\$ 400	
Independent claims			3 - 3 =	0	Х	\$200	\$ 0	
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S) (if applicable) + \$360							\$ 0	
TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =							\$ 1,400	
Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Fees above are reduced by 1/2.							\$ 1,400	
SUBTOTAL =							\$ 1,400	
Processing fee of \$130.00 for furnishing the English translation later than 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(i)).							\$ 0	
TOTAL NATIONAL FEE =							\$ 1,400	
Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 per property							\$ 0	
TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED =							\$ 1,400	
							Amount to be refunded:	\$
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